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SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES OF MORO LIBERATION FRONT (MLF) LEADER
IN KUWAIT

REF: KUWAIT 1615

1. AFTER EVENTS NOTED REFTEL, NUR MISUARI IS REPORTED IN KUWAITI PRESS HAS HAVING MET WITH KUWAITI MINISTER OF AWKAF AND ISLAMIC AFFAIRS, YUSSUF J. AL-HAJJI, WHO REPORTEDLY TOLD MISUARI THAT "KUWAIT SYMPATHIZES WITH THE STRUGGLE OF THE FRONT" AND EXPRESSED THE "READINESS" OF THE GOK TO SUPPORT THE FRONT "WITH ALL ITS ABILITIES." MINISTER AL-HAJJI ALSO REPORTEDLY PRAISED THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT AND QADHAFI AS HAVING ADOPTED A "TRUE AND HONORABLE ATTITUDE" ON THE MLF-GOP QUESTION.

2. MISUARI IS QUOTED IN THE PRESS AS HAVING PRAISED KUWAITI SUPPORT FOR THE MLF AND KUWAIT'S "GOOD ISLAMIC SPIRIT," AND AS CALLING ON ALL ISLAMIC COUNTRIES TO "DOUBLE THEIR SUPPORT" TO THE MLF.

IN LOCAL PRESS INTERVIEW, MISUARI ATTACHED RICH MOSLEMS

"WHO LIVE IN LUXURY WHILE FILIPINO MOSLEMS HAVE BEEN FIGHTING ON FOR 10 YEARS . . ." IN RESPONSE TO REPORTER'S

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INQUIRY WHY THE MLF OBJECTED TO PLEBISCITE IN 13 PROVINCES WITH MOSLEM MAJORITIES, MISUARI ALLUDED TO MARTIAL LAW AND ITS ADVERSE EFFECTS ON FREE ELECTIONS. MISUARI ALSO EXPRESSED THE DESIRE THAT MLF-GOP RELATIONS BE SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW AGAIN TO THE ISLAMIC SUMMIT IN TRIPOLI.

3. COMMENT: IT IS CLEAR THAT MISUARI CAME TO KUWAIT IN SEARCH

OF FUNDS, AND IT SEEM SAFE TO ASSUME THAT HE GOT SOME, OR AT
LEAST PROMISES OF FUTURE SUPPORT. AS IN THE PAST, KUWAITI
FUNDS FOR THE MOSLEM INSURGENTS IN THE PHILIPPINES MAY
COME FROM PRIVATE KUWAITI COFFERS, VIA THE ISLAMIC SOCIAL REFORM
SOCIETY. KUWAITI MINISTER AL-HAJJI IS A LEADING MEMBER OF THIS
CONSERVATIVE RELIGIOUS GROUP.
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